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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: ASEC
SUBJ: EMPLOYMENT OF CONTRACT GUARD

FOLLOWING SENT TO ROME APR 15 1977 REPEATED TO YOU:

QUOTE

UNCLASE PALERMO 0266

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: ASEC
SUBJ: EMPLOYMENT OF CONTRACT GUARD

REF: STATE A-688, 76 ROME 15973

1. WE CURRENCY UNABLE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE SCENING OF ARRIVING
VISA AND PPT/CIT CLIENTS WHO COULD CARRY WEAPONS OR BOMBS
INTO CONGEN. THIS IS THE GREATEST CURRENT THREAT TO POST SECURITY.

2. AS AREA OF VULNERABILITY IS CONCENTRATED IN THE CONSULATE
ITSELF PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES SHORT OF STRENGTHENING SCREENING
PROCEDURES WOULD BE OF LIMITED UNTILITY. MOREOVER, WE DO NOT
HAVE APPROPRIATELY TRAINED AND EQUIPPED PERSONNEL FOR THIS
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FUNCTION. LOCAL AUTHORITIES ARE NOT WILLING TO ASSIGN PERSONNEL
TO BE POSTED INSIDE THE CONSULATE TO SEARCH ENTRANT EFFECTS
CLOSELY ALTHOUGH THE LOCAL POLICEMAN STATIONED OUTSIDE SEES
VISITORS FROM A DISTANCE.

3. WE THEREFORE REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO IMMEDIATELY CONTRACT
FOR ONE ARMED GUARD, WHICH WE BELIEVE ESSENTIAL FOR THE SAFETY

OF PERSONNEL AND THE PROTECTION OF CONSULATE FACILITIES.
GUARD IS TO BE PRESENT EIGHT HOURS A DAY DURING WORKING HOURS.
TO BE STATIONED IN THE ENTRANCE FOYER OF THE COMBINED CONSULAR
SECTION ONCE CONSOLIDATED (AND IN THE STREET-LEVEL ENTRANCE
FOYER TO THE VISA SECTION PENDING CONSOLIDATION). IN EITHER
POSITION HE IS TO INSPECT PACKAGES, PARCELS, ETC., OF INCOMING
VISITORS AND TO USE AN ELECTRIC WAND TO CHECK THEIR PERSONS FOR
HIDDEN WEAPONS BEFORE THEY ENTER THE WAITING AREA. THE ONLY
FULLY RELIABLE, PROPERLY REGISTERED GUARD SERVICE IN PALERMO.,
SICURTRANSPORT, PLUS WILL SUPPLY A TRAINED ARMED GUARD WITH COMMU-
NICATION DEVICE FOR DOLS. 1,100 PER MONTH. THIS GUARD,
AS THE COMPANY IS REGISTERED WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES, WOULD BE
FULLY RECOGNIZED AND SUPPORTED IMMEDIATELY BY LOCAL POLICE
IN CASE OF NEED.

4. RSO ROME IS REQUESTED TO CLEAR ABOVE MESSAGE AND/OR CHANGE
AS NECESSARY FOR TRANSMISSION TO THE DEPARTMENT AS PALERMO'S
FORMAL REQUEST FOR GUARD SERVICES. PLEASE INFORM WHETHER ROME
OR PALERMO WILL TRANSMIT. COLLINS
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